

## Jonathan P. Fodi



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Jonathan Fodi is Counsel in Leech Tishman's Litigation Practice Group, where he is also a member of the White Collar Defense Group. Jonathan is based in Leech Tishman's Pittsburgh office where he focuses his practice on federal and state criminal defense, internal corporate investigations, compliance and regulatory review, and complex civil litigation.

Jonathan is a trial-tested litigator specializing in complex investigations and indictments. He regularly serves as counsel to a wide range of sophisticated clientele who seek dynamic advocacy and defense in the most sensitive matters.

As a former prosecutor with the Allegheny County District Attorney's office for more than a decade, Jonathan has led many of Western Pennsylvania's highest-profile matters including unlawful uses of force by police officers, sweeping grand jury investigations of public authorities and figures. Jonathan has been the lead prosecutor on more than a dozen homicide indictments, prosecuting many to verdict in bench and jury trials.

Jonathan spent the majority of his time as an Assistant District Attorney in the Investigations, Grand Jury, and Wiretap Divisions, where he led criminal investigations into

matters involving fraud, embezzlement, public corruption, official oppression, and organized crime. In that role, Jonathan worked directly with veteran detectives to build cases from the ground up.

During his time as a prosecutor, Jonathan tried to verdict the case of a police officer charged with murder, led a Grand Jury inquiry into the investigatory practices of a major metropolitan police department and members of that department's labor union, and was a member of the prosecution team that obtained a conviction against a sitting Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice for political corruption.

From 2014 to 2019, Jonathan also served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In that role, he worked on teams with federal prosecutors to investigate and prosecute complex federal crimes.

Some of Jonathan's more recent representative matters include:

- Federal grand jury subpoena compliance with Anti-Kickback Statute and Eliminating Kickbacks in Recovery Act including defense of entities and individuals indicted under the statutes
- Defense of medical practitioners in state and federal court, and before regulatory agencies, to include allegations of improper prescriptions, billing fraud, and false statements
- Federal wire fraud and tax fraud investigations and indictments
- State grand jury investigations in oil/gas or energy sector
- State securities action against registered investment advisor and his company related to allegations of misappropriation

### Academics

J.D., Wake Forest University School of Law  
B.A. in Journalism, The Pennsylvania State University

### Admissions

Pennsylvania  
U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania

### Experience

Flannery Georgalis, LLC  
Allegheny County District Attorney's Office

## Professional Memberships

Allegheny County Bar Association  
Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (Vice President)

## Publications

“Officer’s Use of Force Must Be Objectively Reasonable,”  
*ACBA Lawyers Journal* (2021)  
“Obstructing Justice by Testifying at Trial: Perjury for the Basis of a Federal Sentencing Enforcement,” *For the Defense*, a publication of the Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (2020)

## Speeches & Presentations

*Use of Force: A Defense Perspective on the Use of Force by Law Enforcement*, Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Joint Annual Conference (2021)